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## WORLD'S EVENTS IN SHORT FORM

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Notes Covering Most Important Happenings of the World Compiled in Briefest and Most Succinct Form for Quick Consumption.

### European War News

Two days of continuous fighting between Ypres and Armentieres resulted in a loss to the Germans of 8,000 men, says the war correspondent of La Liberte of Paris.

The Germans have opened their attack on the allied forces in Greece with a vigorous bombardment of the frontier positions. German artillery at Lake Doiran is bombarding the allied lines, says an Athens dispatch to the Paris Journal.

The new Japanese liner Yasaka Maru was sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine with 120 passengers and a crew of 160. It was sent to the bottom without warning, according to a report received in London from Port Said. All of those on board, including one American, W. J. Leigh, were saved. The liner carried \$12,500,000 in gold.

An Austrian aeroplane flew to within a little more than three miles of Saloniki and dropped bombs near a village in the vicinity, according to Havas reports from Saloniki, received by way of Athens.

Berlin reports of the capture from the French of the summit of Hartmannswillerkopf in the Vosges with 1,553 men is confirmed in part by an official statement from Paris. The French admit a retreat.

The Turco-German drive against Egypt has begun, according to advices to the Exchange Telegraph company at London from Constantinople. Three hundred thousand Turks and 10,000 Germans and Arab irregulars are taking part in the campaign.

Heavy fighting continues at Hartmannswillerkopf in southern Alsace. The French official statement issued at Paris admits the Germans have gained a footing in trenches captured and held by advanced detachments. One thousand three hundred German prisoners were taken at this point.

### Domestic

Fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, caused small damage on the British sugar steamer Inchmooir as she lay moored south of Brooklyn.

Two policemen shot and killed three brothers at Freehanspur, Ill., when they resisted arrest on a charge of drunkenness. The dead are: John, William and Frank Wilkas.

Terminals are so choked with grain that railroads through western Canada have restricted shipments to such an extent as to be virtually a grain embargo, says a dispatch from Washington.

Wong Yuen Yung, a cousin of President Yuan Shi-kai of China, was shot and killed in the Chinese quarter at San Francisco. Yung had been on a secret mission. His assailant escaped.

Three indictments against alleged German plotters were returned by the federal grand jury. Paul Koenig and Richard Leyendecker are charged with conspiring in the United States land canal. Edmund Justice is charged with conspiring in the United States to secure military information regarding Canadian munitions. All were released on bonds of \$100,000.

James Delaney and Lee Derby were killed when an automobile in which they were riding with Ambrose Lentz was struck by a Chicago & Northwestern passenger train at Humboldt, Ia.

Surrogate Fowler of New York refused to set aside the probate of the will of Mrs. Frank Leslie in which she disposed of an estate of \$1,748,550, more than \$1,000,000 of which goes to the woman's daughter. He denounced allegations that Mrs. Leslie's mother was a Louisiana negro slave.

One of the weirdest storms the East has seen in many years—rain, hail and snow accompanied by thunder and lightning and a gale that reached a maximum velocity of 90 miles an hour—descended from the northwest. It caused six deaths in New York.

When the Faneuil hall conference on eliminating economic causes of the war is held at Boston January 10 a number of plans aiming at permanent peace will be discussed. One of them will be the proposal for an international trade flag.

Stock certificates and coupon railroad bonds of \$750,000 stolen from a registered mail pouch at Wilmington, Del., were found by detectives discovered in an old stove at 214 Orange street. Practically all securities were recovered.

Governor Dunne of Illinois has pardoned James Ryan and Barney Bertsche, whose testimony convicted Chicago policemen in the graft trials.

"The United States may be in the midst of war at any minute, and if this country does enter the war we want to do all we can to help our neighbor," said Joseph Choate at a luncheon in New York given by the Pilgrims in honor of Sir Robert Laird Borden, premier of Canada.

Hit by a passenger train on a grade crossing at Doylestown, Wis., Emil Erdman was killed and his son Louis, his wife and baby were severely injured.

Robert L. Knox, surveyor of customs for the port of New Orleans and prominent Louisiana attorney, shot and killed Ben Foster, an attorney of Hattiesburg, Miss., and Alex Franko, an attorney of Natchitoches, La., in the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad depot at Baton Rouge, La.

### Washington

The Panama canal failed to pay interest on the investment of \$557,000, and also to pay its cost of maintenance. These facts are disclosed in the annual report of the governor of the Canal Zone, Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals, which was made public at Washington.

The postal service has doubled in the last twelve years and during the last fiscal year audited transactions reached the \$2,000,000,000 mark for the first time, according to the annual report of Charles A. Kram, auditor for the post office department, made public at Washington.

Since the European war began Great Britain has built as many ships of war of all classes as the United States now possesses. This information has reached the navy department at Washington.

An additional 7,200 officers and men are needed by the marine corps for adequate performance of its manifold duties. In the opinion of Maj. Gen. George Barnett, commandant, as expressed in his annual report, made public at Washington.

Great Britain has suspended the issuance of permits for shipment of hospital supplies of any description from the United States to Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey. This became known at Washington.

### Sporting

Representatives of the Federal, American and National leagues signed an agreement at Cincinnati which eliminated the third circuit from the baseball map of the country. Charles H. Weeghman, president of the White Sox, acquired the Cubs. Joe Tinker will be manager. Phil Ball purchased the Browns.

### Mexican Revolt

Friends of Gen. Rafael Aguirre Lis have been informed that he, with all his staff officers, has been executed at Cuautla, Mex., by order of Emiliano Zapata. The order was fulfilled publicly by a Zapatista.

### Personal

Melvine Hall, member of the American ambulance corps in France, was killed by a German shell in the Vosges region. He was a son of Dr. Lewis P. Hall, a professor at University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Lloyd M. Bingham, husband of Amelia Bingham, the actress, and official entertainer of the Ford peace party, died of pneumonia while aboard the Oscar II. Ford and Mme. Schwimmer are both ill at Christiania and the expedition may be abandoned.

Emperor William of Germany has a slight inflammation of the cellular system. His indisposition is slight. The Kaiser's illness is described in an official message from Berlin as "Zellgewebentzündung."

General von Emmich, conqueror of Liege and commander of the Tenth German corps, is dead of arteriosclerosis at Hanover, says the Overseas agency.

### Foreign

The preliminary draft of Austria's reply to the second American note contains the suggestion that important points in dispute regarding the steamship Ancona's sinking be submitted to an arbitration tribunal say reports received in Berlin from Vienna.

Three hundred women employed in the powder factory at Muenster, Westphalia, were killed in an explosion at the plant, according to advices to the Amsterdam Telegraph, forwarded by Reuters' correspondent.

Mrs. Inez Milholland Botsvain of New York, who withdrew from the Ford peace expedition at Stockholm, presented at a public meeting of the delegates a long statement of her reasons for doing so and for believing the project was doomed to failure.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, an American explorer who went to India in June to ascend the Himalaya mountains and was detained in India for five weeks as a German spy, is making his way across Siberia, intending to return to New York.

## PROSECUTORS IN STATE MEETING

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON CRIMINAL PRACTICE UNDER CONSIDERATION.

### SESSIONS IN THE CAPITOL

Committee of Bar Association and From Police Chiefs and Sheriffs Are Assisting in Discussion of Questions.

Saginaw—Constructive legislation for criminal practice will be the general subject of the annual meeting of the Michigan State Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, in session in the senate chamber of the capitol in Lansing, December 29 and 30.

This subject has received considerable attention from the state bar association, and the Association of Police Chiefs, Sheriffs and Prosecuting Attorneys. A committee from the bar association, now considering this question, is attending the state meeting.

B. J. Vincent, prosecuting attorney of Saginaw county, has prepared the program for the state meeting as follows:

December 29—President's address, Bird J. Vincent, Saginaw. Simplifying indictments and Informations. Abolishing the Necessity of Allegations of Exception, etc., Frank L. Doty, Pontiac.

Prosecutor's Right to Comment on Failure of Respondent to Testify, Harris E. Galpin, Muskegon.

December 30, 9:30 a. m.—Requiring Respondent to Fairly Present All Technical Objections to the Proceedings Before Being Placed in Jeopardy, Ray Hart, Midland.

Depositions by the People, Frank F. Ford, Kalamazoo.

Arrest Without a Warrant, a More Definite Statement of Extension of, and the Right of Such Arrests, Thos. J. Green, Soo.

Business meeting, election of officers, etc.

### CAPTOR OF JEFF DAVIS DEAD

Corunna Man With Unique War Record Passes Away Friday.

Corunna—Lewis A. Wilcox, civil war veteran and for 29 years in the government service at Washington, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Pettibone, here Friday night.

Mr. Wilcox, who was 77 years old, was a member of Company B, fourth Michigan cavalry, and was one of the men detailed to capture Jefferson Davis. He with Corporal Charles F. Parker, of Owosso, captured John H. Regan, who was postmaster-general of the Confederacy.

Mr. Wilcox was a close friend of William P. Steadman, of Owosso, and also connected with the government service at Washington, who died a few weeks ago. It is believed that the death of Mr. Steadman hastened Mr. Wilcox's end.

### New Electric Power Company.

Adrian—A new company called the Southern Michigan Light & Power Co. has been organized, taking over the property of the Hudson Light & Power Co. and the Morenci & Fayette Light Co. The plan of the company is to extend its power transmission lines to other towns and villages in southern Michigan and northern Ohio.

The officers and directors are President George F. Avis; vice president, Owen Howes; secretary, P. D. Avis; treasurer, C. J. Avis. All are residents of Hudson, where the principal offices of the company will be located.

### Muskegon Strike Is Settled.

Lansing—State Mediator Frank L. Dodge announced that through his department a strike at the Muskegon Motor Specialty company's works at Muskegon had been settled. The strike had been on since October. The men were mostly members of the International Machinists' union.

According to Mr. Dodge, the men return to work at practically the old basis.

### MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS

Morris Atwood, Blenden township farmer, convicted of manslaughter last January, in connection with the death of his secretly wedded wife, Zelma Lowing Atwood, has been denied a new trial by the supreme court, and will be sentenced soon in the circuit court at Grand Haven. Mrs. Atwood's body was found hanging to a tree near her home.

Flint authorities have been unable to identify the body of a man who was killed by a switch engine in the Grand Trunk yards Saturday night. Three bottles of whisky were found and he is believed to have gone to sleep on the tracks.

Fifteen members of forestry classes at M. A. C. have left for the West Virginia woods, where they will spend the holiday vacation studying the southern forests under the direction of Professor A. K. Chittenden of the forestry department at the East Lansing institution.

## MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Henry Heim, member of the state board of druggists, is dead.

Attempting to split a dynamite cap with an ax, Ben Price, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Price, of Inverness township, was badly injured Monday.

Muskegon must pay \$1,815 damages to the widow of a former city employee as the result of the supreme court decision placing municipalities under the workman's compensation act.

The largest sum of money for 1916 automobile licenses received thus far came last week from the Detroit Edison Co. The request for the new tags was accompanied by a check for \$1,683.30.

The appeal of the city of Detroit for taxes for the year 1913, paid under protest by St. Joseph's Episcopal church, was granted by the supreme court and the action of the court below reversed.

Four Flint men, John Roney, Mike Eganoff, William Cascades and John Russell, have been sentenced to a total of 210 days in Detroit house of correction on conviction of violating the local option law.

Petitions are being circulated in Boyne City to have all business places closed on Sunday, following granting of requests of church people that card playing and punchboards be ordered out by county officials.

Sixty members of the Girls' Glee club of University of Michigan, garbed as monks, sang Christmas carols outside the homes of Dr. Harry B. Hutchins, president, and other members of the Michigan faculty.

State Highway Commissioner Frank Rogers is asking support for a law in congress providing for a federal appropriation of \$25,000,000 for roads. The law was drafted by the American Association of State Highway Officials.

Governor Ferris has rewarded with a parole Charles Smith, who saved Jackson prison from probable destruction by fire. Smith was attacked and seriously cut by Daniel Sutton, an Ingham convict, who is alleged to have started the fire.

Seventy-five farmers of Parma and Sandstone townships met in Parma and discussed a proposal to hold an annual stock sale or series of sales in Jackson. The sentiment was distinctly in favor of an organization being formed for this purpose.

Alger county, which voted on local option last April, will remain wet another year. The first count gave the drys two majority. A recount reversed the majority into the wet column. The circuit judge upheld the board of canvassers and the supreme court has affirmed the lower court.

Chemists at the laboratory of the Dow Chemical company at Midland have developed a process for making indigo blue dye. This week a half-ton shipment was sent to the Pacific mills, at Lawrence, Mass. This is believed the first manufacture of this dye on a commercial scale in this country.

Gladwin county road commissioners, Midland county officials and representatives of the Tittabawassee power interests met with the state highway commissioner in regard to a dispute over the route of a road which could run through the site of a proposed dam. After a stormy session it was voted to make a detour of the road.

Paid for chiefly by penny contributions by the 7,000 school children of Jackson, a \$125 diamond ring was Christmas morning presented to Edward Page Cummings, city superintendent of schools, who shot himself accidentally some days ago while cleaning his shotgun. The physicians have pronounced Mr. Cummings out of danger.

Michigan Central railroad has spent \$30,000 in the last few weeks enlarging the track facilities of the Jackson yards. The action was taken after the traffic committee of the Chamber of Commerce represented to officials that the yard facilities were insufficient to take care of the freight and local manufacturers were complaining.

A jury in circuit court, after being out five hours, awarded a judgment for \$15,000 to Miss Lillian Boyle, of Leslie, Mich., who was injured about two years ago at Thompson, Mich., a junction point of the Pere Marquette and Ann Arbor railroads, while changing trains at that place. The verdict is the result of a joint suit for \$25,000 against both railroads.

James R. Henry, of Indianapolis, appears to be the latest victim of "Charley Ross," known by name only, to Felix H. Flynn, county clerk, as a land shark. Henry's inquiry about "land" he "bought" in Liberty township, is the eleventh Mr. Flynn has received since he has been clerk and each time "Ross" has been the seller. Henry is said to have exchanged \$500 cash and city property for the "farm."

John Kusik, an employee of the Owosso Sugar Co., was hurled 30 feet when his wagon was struck by an Ann Arbor motor car. Kusik's only complaint was that he was late for work. He was dazed, but soon hurried toward the factory, leading his horse.

Lester Thompson, who is alleged to have eloped with his tutor in detective work, Mrs. Edith Cross, of Jackson, is under arrest in Port Wayne, Ind., on the charge of grand larceny. He is accused of taking several articles belonging to John Cross, her husband.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock.

DETROIT—Cattle: Market steady; best heavy steer, \$7.25; best heavy weight butcher steers, \$6.70@7; mixed steers and heifers, \$5.50@6.50; handy light butchers, \$5.50@6; light butchers, \$4.50@5.25; best cows, \$5.50@6; butchers cows, \$4.25@4.75; common cows, \$3.75@4; canners, \$2.50@3.55; best heavy bulls, \$5.50@6; bologna bulls, \$4.75@5.25; stock bulls, \$4@4.50; feeders, \$5.50@6.50; stockers, \$5@6; milkers and springers, \$4@7.50.

Veal Calves—Market steady; best grades, \$10@10.50; others, \$7@9.

Sheep and lambs—Market steady; best lambs, \$9.50@9.90; fair lambs, \$8.75@9; light to common lambs, \$7@8; yearlings, \$8; fair to good sheep, \$5.50@6; culls and common, \$4@4.75.

Hogs—Market 10c lower; pigs \$5.50; others \$6@6.10.

EAST BUFFALO—Receipts of cattle, 90 cars; market very slow; heavy and shipping grades 25@35c lower; butcher stuff 15@25c lower; yearlings, dry-fed, \$8.50@8.75; choice to prime shipping steers, native \$8@8.50, fair to good \$7.50@7.75, plain and cows \$7@7.25; Canadian steers, 1,400 to 1,450 lbs., \$7.75@8.25; do, 1,500 to 1,550 lbs., \$7@7.25; do, 1,600 to 1,250 lbs., \$7@7.25; do, 1,650 to 1,150 lbs., \$6.50@7; choice to prime handy butcher steers, natives \$7.25@7.65, fair to good grassers \$6@6.50; light common grassers \$5.50@6; prime fat heifers, \$6.50@7; good butcher heifers and steers, mixed, \$6.50@6.75; light grassy heifers, \$5@6; best fat cows, \$5.75@6.50; butcher cows, \$4.50@5.25; cutters, \$3.50@4; canners, \$3@3.40; fancy bulls, \$6.50@6.75; butcher bulls, \$5.50@6.25; sausage bulls, \$5.25@5.75; light bulls, \$4@5; stockers, \$4.50@6.25; feeders, \$6.25@7; milkers and springers, \$6@100.

Hogs: Receipts, 110 cars; market 10@15c higher; heavy, \$6.50@6.85; Yorkers, \$6.75; pigs, \$6.25.

Sheep: Receipts 38 cars; market 15@25c higher; top lambs, \$10.45@10.50; yearlings, \$8@9; wethers, \$6.75@7; ewes, \$6@6.50.

Calves: Receipts, 500; market steady; tops, \$12; fair to good, \$10@10.50; grassers, \$4@5.

Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat: Cash No. 2 red, \$1.23; December opened with an advance of 1-2c at \$1.25 and declined to \$1.23; May opened at \$1.31 3-4 and declined to \$1.29 1-4; No. 1 white, \$1.29.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 70c; No. 3 yellow 71 1-2c; No. 4 yellow, 70c.

Oats—Standard, 46c; No. 3 white, 44c; No. 4 white, 41@42 1-2c; sample, 39@41c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 96 1-2c.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$3.55; December, \$3.55; January \$3.45.

Cloverseed—Prime spot and December, \$12.25; March, \$12.15; prime at aike, \$10.25.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.80.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$18@19; standard timothy, \$17@18; light mixed, \$17@18; No. 2 timothy, \$15@16; No. 1 mixed, \$14@15; No. 2 mixed, \$10@12; No. 1 clover, \$10@12; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oat straw, \$6.50@7 per ton in carlots, Detroit.

### General Markets.

Apples—Baldwins, \$3.25@3.50; Spies \$3.50@4; Steel Reds, \$4@5 per bbl.; western box apples, \$1.75@2.25.

Beans—Lima, 6 1-2@7c per lb.

Butter—Official prices: Creamery extras, 34c; firsts, 32 1-2c; packing stock, 18c; dairy, 22c per lb.

Cauliflower—\$2@2.25 per doz.

Cabbages—\$1.50@1.75 per bbl.

Cheese—Wholesale prices: Michigan flats, 16 1-2@16 3-4c; New York flats, 17@17 1-2c; Limburger, 2-lb, 15c; 1-lb, 16 1-2@17c; domestic Swiss, 21@25c; imported Swiss, 38c; long horns, 18@18 1-2c; per lb.

Celery—Michigan, 20@25c per doz.

Dressed calves—Fancy, 13c; common, 10@12c per lb.

Dressed hogs—Light, 8@8 1-2c; heavy, 7@7 1-2c per lb.

Eggs—Fresh receipts, candied, cases included, 31c; current receipts, 30c per doz. Receipts 927 cases.

Honey—Fancy white, new 15@16c; amber, 10@11c; extracted, 8@9c per pound.

Onions—\$1.90@2 per 100-lb sack; Spanish onions, \$1.50@1.60 per crate.

Joultry—Springs, 13 1-2@14c; Leghorns and lightweights, 12@13c; heavy hens, 11@12c; medium hens, 10 1-2@11; No. 2, 9@10c; roosters, 8@10c; ducks, 16@16 1-2c; geese, 14 1-2@15c; spring turkeys, 23@24c; old turkeys, 17@18c per lb.

Tallow—No. 1, 6 3-4c; No. 2, 5 3-4c per lb.

Dressed poultry—Springs, 13@15c; fowls, 12 1-2@13c; geese, 15 1-2@16c; ducks, 17@18c; turkeys, 26@27c; old 18@20c per lb.

Hay—Detroit dealers are paying the following prices, f. o. b. Detroit: New hay, No. 1 timothy, \$18@19; standard timothy, \$17@18; light mixed, \$17@18; No. 2 timothy, \$15@16; No. 1 mixed, \$14@15; No. 2 mixed, \$10@12; No. 1 clover, \$10@12; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oats straw, \$6.50@7 per ton.

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